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Connecticut Clean Cars Alliance on S.B. No. 1032:

AN ACT REDUCING DIESEL EMISSIONS IN SCHOOL BUS CABINS.

"Thanks to the extraordinary leadership of Senate President Don Williams, as well as the leaders and members of the Environment Committee, a truly historic bill to protect Connecticut's children from pollution caused by diesel engines in school busses is moving forward.

The data could not be clearer. Diesel engines from school buses pose a major threat to the health and wellbeing of Connecticut's children. In fact, children riding dirty diesel school buses are exposed to levels of diesel pollution that are sometimes 5 –15 times higher than what is normally in the air around them. Nearly ten percent of young students in Connecticut have asthma — making them particularly vulnerable the exposure to diesel exhaust.

The legislation that passed the Environment Committee will have a tremendous benefit on an entire generation of Connecticut's children."

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